

Olmstead Advisory Committee Meeting

March 19, 2014 Meeting Summary

Department of Rehabilitation, Room 242
721 Capitol Mall, Sacramento, California

Committee Members Present:

Brenda Premo (Chair)	Eileen Kunz	Greg Thompson
Tony Anderson	Lydia Missaelides	Janie Whiteford
Mareva Brown	Sunny Maden	Kate Wilber
Richard Chambers	Marty Omoto	Barbara Hanna (Phone)
Deborah Doctor	Elsa Quezada	Jim McAleer (Phone)
Nancy Hall	Michelle Rousey	Janet Morris (Phone)
Michael Humphrey	Ellen Schmeding	Robert Taylor (Phone)
Mary Jann	Timothy Schwab	

State Staff Present:

Secretary Diana S. Dooley – California Health and Human Services Agency
Director Toby Douglas – Department of Health Care Services
Director Lora Connolly – Department of Aging
Director Joe Xavier – Department of Rehabilitation
Director Will Lightbourne – Department of Social Services
Director Santi Rogers – Department of Developmental Services
Division Chief John Shen – Department of Health Care Services
Assistant Secretary Kiyomi Burchill – California Health and Human Services Agency.

Agenda Item 1: Introductions

Committee Chair Brenda Premo called the meeting to order and welcomed attendees. She announced that Agenda Item 5 on the Coordinated Care Initiative would be heard after Agenda Item 7, an Olmstead Advisory Committee Planning Workshop. Committee members adopted the minutes from the November 12, 2013 meeting with no revisions.

Agenda Item 2: Welcoming Remarks

Secretary Diana Dooley welcomed attendees, and introduced the new Director of California Department of Developmental Services Santi Rogers and the new Director of the Department of Rehabilitation Joe Xavier. Department Directors provided updates for their departments; many noted they were holding off providing updates on areas specifically addressed later in the meeting agenda, such as the Coordinated Care Initiative.

Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Director Toby Douglas provided updates for the department, including that its California Community Transitions (CCT) program continues collaboration on housing issues with the Department of Housing and Community Development and California Housing Finance Agency. The departments are

applying for another round of federal U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Section 811 grant for housing for Medi-Cal beneficiaries.

Department of Social Services (DSS) Director Will Lightbourne discussed the department's work on In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Overtime Rules, and noted that the next workgroup meeting was the following Friday.

Department of Aging (CDA) Director Lora Connolly provided updates for the department, including that the Governor's Budget for 2014-15 proposes transferring the Aging and Disability Resource Connection from the California Health and Human Services Agency to the Department of Aging.

Department of Developmental Services (DDS) Director Santi Rogers introduced himself and his Chief Deputy Director, John Doyle. He provided an update on the closure of Lanterman Developmental Center.

Department of Rehabilitation (DOR) Director Joe Xavier introduced himself and discussed his career path to becoming Director. He provided updates from the department, including on upcoming grant opportunities from the department.

Secretary Diana Dooley provided a recap of the work of the Task Force on the Future of the Developmental Centers, which she chaired. The Task Force had a broad range of perspectives, and worked very hard for six months, in the full Task Force and in workgroups, to make its recommendations. It completed its work in December 2013, and a Plan for the Future of Developmental Centers in California was released in January 2014. Secretary Dooley expressed her appreciation for Director Rogers and Chief Deputy John Doyle for stepping forward, and looks forward to their taking this plan to the next level.

Agenda Item 3: Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services Final Rules

John Shen, Chief, Long-Term Care Division, Department of Health Care Services, Betsi Howard, also with the Long-Term Care Division, and Ed Long, Deputy Director, Department of Aging, provided an overview of the Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services Final Rules that were recently released, and how they impact our Medi-Cal Home and Community-Based Waivers.

A handout summarizing the final rules is posted in the materials for this meeting at <http://www.chhs.ca.gov/Pages/OlmsteadAdvisoryCommittee.aspx>.

Agenda Item 4: In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Program and Implementation of Federal Overtime Regulations

Director Lightbourne described the Administration's proposal from the Governor's Budget for 2014-15 for changes to the In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) program to implement federal overtime regulations, and the workgroup meetings that have been

ongoing to discuss this proposal. Committee members provided feedback, including concerns with the current proposal.

Lunch Break

Agenda Item 6: Community-Based Adults Services (CBAS) Stakeholder Process Recommendations

John Shen, Chief, Long-Term Care Division, Department of Health Care Services, Betsi Howard, also with the Long-Term Care Division, and Ed Long, Deputy Director, Department of Aging, provided an overview of the stakeholder process to develop the waiver to continue the Community-Based Adult Services (CBAS) program. The current waiver Special Terms and Conditions expire in August 2014.

They walked through four handouts:

1. Community Based Adult Services (CBAS) Stakeholder Meeting Framework
2. Olmstead Workgroup Summaries for 3-19-14 Committee Meeting
3. CBAS Stakeholder Workgroup Recommendations Summary
4. CBAS Stakeholder Workgroup Future and Parking Lot Topics

These are all posted in the materials for this meeting at
<http://www.chhs.ca.gov/Pages/OlmsteadAdvisoryCommittee.aspx>.

Agenda Item 7: Olmstead Advisory Committee Planning Workshop

Chair Brenda Premo conveyed her interest in the Olmstead Committee being proactive this year, and particularly in the areas of Data, Housing, and Transportation. Towards that end, the Committee's three Workgroups on these topics have identified priority areas, a summary of which is posted in the materials for this meeting at
<http://www.chhs.ca.gov/Pages/OlmsteadAdvisoryCommittee.aspx>.

She invited brief reports for each Workgroup, which Olmstead Committee Member Kate Wilber provided for the Data Workgroup, she provided for the Housing Workgroup and Ed Long, Deputy Director of the Department of Aging, provided for the Transportation Workgroup.

Finally, to have consistent participation in the workgroups, Chair Premo described the process by which the Committee would formalize the rosters for each of the Workgroups, with staff following up via email to invite Committee members to request to be on one workgroup. The Workgroup Chairs will then select 2-4 Olmstead Committee members to be Workgroup members, plus key state staff (including from the state housing and transportation departments), and subject matter experts.

Agenda Item 5: Coordinated Care Initiative Update

Department of Health Care Services provided an update on implementation of the Coordinated Care Initiative, including the Home and Community-Based Services

(HCBS) Universal Assessment. Committee members also offered feedback and comments.

Agenda Item 8: Next Steps and Closing Comments

Chair Premo thanked Committee members for their participation in the meeting and adjourned the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.
